INFORMATION **ABOUT PIANOS**

A Series of Articles Will Appear In These Columns, Entitled "Plano Talks." We Will Endeavor to Impart Useful Information

Of the Origin, the Use, Abuse and Care of Pianos, Prices and Terms on Which They are Sold, Music, Morals, Etc.

PIANO TALK NUMBER ONE

Before the Pianoforte, came the Harpsichord, and before the Harpischord came the Spinet, before the Spinet came the Virginal, and before the Virginal came the Clavlehord and Monochord, before these the Clavleytherium, before that the Citole, before that the Dulcimer and Psaltery, and before them all the Egyptian, Grecian and Roman Harps, and Lyres innumerable.

Some of the harps of antiquity were struck with a quill or "plectrum," some were round and some were angular, some with three corners, some with more, some had ten strings, and some thirteer. Modifications of these varieties formed the staple stringed instruments of the Middle Ages. The Psaltery was a box with metal strings across it, and was plucked with a quill. The "dulce melos" or Dulcimer, meaning "sweet sounds," was also a box with strings stretched over it, but it was struck with crooked sticks.

Thus we have the beginning of the plano of to-day. Space will not permit us, in this "Plano Talk," to continue this history of plano rovolution. In very early ages, some of these harps, or stringed instruments, brought fabulous prices, and history does not advise us that they were sold on easy payments.

What would those early-day people think

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What would those early-day people think if they could drop into our store any day they week and see the pretty, but plain-cased upright plano, guaranteed fully, that we offer special for this week at \$165 on terms of \$10 cash, \$5 per month?

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Could those old Romans or Greeks see our KIMBALL or DECKER & SONS piano of to-day, they would go into ecstasies over the beautiful tonal qualities, the artistic

case designs, etc. Talk Number Two" we'll have more interesting matter concerning the evolution of the plano.

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CITY ITEMS.

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BOY DICE PLAYERS ARRAIGNED. Out of Thirty-Seven Judge/Tracy

Fines Only One. Thirty-seven boys appeared before Judge fracy yesterday morning in the First Dis-rict Police Court. They were charged with hooting crass trict Police Court. They were charged with shooting craps.

John Zort was the only one of the thirty-seven who was held. Judge Tracy was informed that Zort had been to the Reformatory, and he fined him \$50.

The boys were arrested on the night of March I in a poolroom conducted by Robert Lucks, at the corner of Thirteenth and Cliston streets. The police charged that a craps game, which they said was under the direction of Gus Lucks, was in progress when the raid was made. When it came to proving specifically the cases against the defendants yesterday the city's witnesses were not present.

GIRL ESCAPES FROM MORAL TREATMENT

Ella Cliff Wishes to Address Sweetheart and Leaves the Rescue Home.

Fugitive Are Received From Various Parts of the Country.

Ella Cliff, the unfortunate girl who was sentenced by Judge William Jefferson Polard last Thursday to serve a month at the City Hospital, where she was to undergo course of moral treatment instead of taking a workhouse sentence, escaped from the Rescue Home, No. 2813 Lucas avenue, Monday night. She had been sent there on account of the crowded condition of the hospital.

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The girl, although but 16 years old, has seen much of the darker side of life since she arrived in St. Louis last June. She is a native of Jefferson City, Mo., and said when arrested that she would like to reform, as her career since her arrival here had become repugnant to her.

Judge Pollard decided to give her a chance, and her sentence to the City Hospital was the result Doctor G. A. Jordan, chief dispensary physician, turned the young girl over to Mrs. M. E. Otto, matron of the Rescue Home.

The Cliff girl entered the Rescue Home Saturday morning last, and seemed satisfied with her lot until Monday afternoon, when she requested the privilege of writing to her sweetheart.

The attendants of the home referred the request to Mrs. Otto for a decision. Mrs. Otto declared that the girl needed no sweetheart to help accomplish her reformation, and after that decision Ella decided that she would run away.

While Mrs. Otto was absent and when none of the attendants were watching, she was seen by one of the inmates to put on her street clothes. She explained that she was going to the stable in the rear of the home to hitch up the horse.

Upon reaching the alley gate she started to run and soon disappeared to the northward on Leffingwell avenue. Many letters arrived for her yesterday from various parts of the country through the Health Department. They have not been opened, but it is supposed they came from people willing to give her a home in order to help her reform.

he stated at the time of her arrest that she had run away from her home because her family had forced her to wed a man she did not like.

If caught she will be forced to serve a thirty-day Workhouse sentence.

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REVIVES GAS METER ORDINANCE

Former Employe of Company Says City Is Losing Revenue.

William James applied for a writ of man-damus in the Circuit Court yesterday to compel the city of St. Louis, the Laclede Gaslight Company and the Carondelet Gas-light Company to comply with an ordinance providing, he states, for the inspection of gas meters. gas meters.

The city, he states, is losing \$400,000 a day because the ordinance is not being com-

James is acting as his own attorney. He flied a similar suit some time ago against the Laclede Gaslight Company, but the case was dismissed

the Laclede Gaslight Company, but the case ware dismissed.

In the former suit he asked damages against the Laclede Company, alleging that he had been employed by the company and was discharged.

He states that he is a gas-meter expert. The law, he states, requires that every gas meter sent out be sealed and stamped by the City Light Inspector, under a penalty of 5 for each offense. He states there are 80,000 meters in use in the city.

The city, he states, is out many millions of dollars because the ordinance is not enforced. The ordinance, he states, was passed in 1887.

EIGHT INJURED IN A WRECK.

Passenger Train Crashed Into Freight Near Bloomington.

Bloomington, Ill., March 24.—Traffic on the Peoria and Eastern branch of the Big Four was blocked last night by a costly collision between an eastbound passenger train and a westbound freight. The latter was on a side track at Tremont, but the switch had been left open and the passenger crashed into the freight while going at a high rate of speed.

Both engines were demolished and much other damage caused to equipment. Eight persons were injured, none fatally. The four most badly hurt were: Jarvis, conductor, Indianapolis; Miss Forney Russell, Tremont; John Koch, Tremont, and John H. Issenmeyer, Peoria.

Bridge Burned Near Marion.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Marion, Ill., March 24.—Fire destroyed five spans of Pond Creek bridge, eight miles north of this city last night. Trains between Marion and Benton will go over the Illinois Central yia Duquoin and Carbondale until a crossing is made over the creek. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Attendance Breaks Record. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Carbondale, Ill., March 24.—A new mark was reached to-day in the enrollment for the eighth term of the Southern Illinois State Normal University. The attendance far exceeds that of any previous term in the history of the institution.



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elne for the whole family it has no equal. "I long ago learned the first great rule of health—keep the bow-els regular—so I am never without Ayer's Pills." "Lovell, Heal.

DEMOCRATS PLAN BIG MEETING AT ODERN

Prominent Speakers to Make 'Addresses at Formal Opening of Campaign To-Morrow.

FACES WORKHOUSE SENTENCE. | ALL CANDIDATES WILL ATTEND.

Many Letters for the 16-Year-Old George J. Tansey Chosen Chairman and Many Leading Citizens Invited to Act as Vice Presidents.

> The Democratic city campaign will open -morrow night with a large meeting at the deon, Grand and Finney avenues. It is expected to be one of the largest political gatherings held in St. Louis in many years. George J. Tansey has been selected as presiding officer and the following have been invited to address the meeting: Mayor Rolla Wells, Prosecuting Attorney Charles P. Williams, Breckenridge Jones, Isaac W. Morton and Horatio N. Davis. Addresses are also expected to be made by former Governor Francis, Harry B. Hawes and others who may be called upon by Mr.

Tansey. From the interest displayed in the meeting by the Democrats and citizens of the various wards, it is evident that the Odeon's capacity will be tested. Besides these speakers the candidates for the Council and House of Delegates will occupy seats on the stage. A band will furnish music for the occasion. Large delegations from each of the twenty-eight wards will attend and many of the delegations from the wards near the Odeon will march to the building.

DRUM CORPS AS ESCORT.

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The Jefferson Club Fife and Drum Corps will escort a delegation of members of the Jefferson Ciub, which will form in line at the clubhouse, Grand avenue and Pine street, at 8 o'clock and march to the Odeon. The Democratic nominees for the City Council and the Democratic members of the Council will be grouped in a body on the stage, the nominees to occupy seats in front of the incumbents. The purpose is to give the public an opportualty of seeing the class of men the Democratic party has placed before the voters that they may select them as their representatives in the upper house of the Municipal Assembly during the World's Fair period.

The Democratis are prepared for an enthusiastic campaign, and the leaders feel hopeful of success for the entire ticket. The party is well organized and the excellent harmony which prevails is an indication of the result on election day.

In each of the twenty-eight wards the Democrats are at work for the ticket, and following the big gathering at the Odeon ward meetings will be held every night until the day before election.

VICE PRESIDENTS OF MEETING. The following gentlemen have been selected as vice presidents of the meeting:

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D. R. Francis.

Charles W. Knapp. DRUM CORPS AS ESCORT.

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PRESIDENT NAMES WHITE MAN. One Negro Candidate Turned Down

in North Carolina. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 24.—The President today announced the appointment of B. T. Person to be Postmaster at Wilson, N. C., to succeed Samuel H. Vick. Person is a white man and Vick is a negro.

The case attracted considerable attention some time ago, because it was one of several then pending in which there was doubt whether the President would follow the line of his early professions or desire to please the white people of the South, or would appoint the negro applicant.

In the present case the white man got the office, but the appointment is accompanied by a long statement, which might be construined as an apology to the negroes for the fadlure of Vick, it being set forth in the statement that Vick is removed, not because of his color, but because it is alleged he had been a traitor to his party, had not supported the Republican ticket and consequently had forfeited his claim to party recognition.

Vick's friends claimed that this charge recognition.
Vick's friends claimed that this charge could not be substantiated, but it has been, and on that account he loses.

Fatal Fall From Hay Loft. Michael Smith, a laborer, living at No. Top. Kennerly avenue, died at the City Hospital yearerds afternuon from a fractured skull, australined several days ago in the rear of his home by falling from a hay loft.

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SING HYMNS OF TWO NATIONS.

President of Exposition Presented With Emblem and Made Honorary Member of Saengerfest Association.

The serenade given to President David R. Francis last night by the united singing societies was one of the most patriotic German-American demonstrations ever held in the city.

It attracted the attention of thousands of citizens, who congregated at the home of Mr. Francis to hear the music and pay re-

Mr. Francis to near the music and pay respects to the man of the hour.

The singing societies gathered at Lindell boulevard and Vandeventer avenue, and, led by Fred Schillinger's band, marched west on Lindell boulevard. The parade was secorted by a squad of mounted police under command of Sergeant Henry S. Griefield. In line were 1,500 singers, carrying Japanese lanterns, flags and red lights. As the line of march proceeded westward on Lindell boulevard, cheer after cheer arose from the enthusiastic citizens.

When the parade reached a point midway between Newstead and Taylor avenues, it turned north onto a vacant lot, directly in front of President Francis's home Near Maryland avenue a platform had beer rected for Mr. Francis and the committee RECEIVES THE SINGERS.

When the line of march came to a halt a committee went to the home of Mr. Francis to escort him to the platform. The committee consisted of Edward L. Prectorius. mittee consisted of Edward L. Preetorius, Edward Devoy, Charles Schweickardt, Joseph Dickmann, August Hoffmann, Louis Schaeffer, L. F. Hammer, Jr., F. W. Keck, Ferdinand Wiederholdt and F. L. Ridgely. The committee escorting Mr. Francis, was led by a squad of patroimen in charge of Sergeant Smith. As Mr. Francis and escort passed through the crowd to the platform he was cheered from every side.

When the party mounted the platform the societies, under the direction of William Lange, sang "Das Deutsche Lied," after which Charles Schweickardt, who acted for Otto Stifel, president, who was unable to attend, on account of sickness, introduced President Francis. Mr. Schweickardt said, in part;

PAYS TRIBUTE TO FRANCIS.

"In behalf of the united singing societies I wish to state that we are proud of you; proud of you as a citizen and of your achievement. That we value them is but a small expression of our feeling, for you represented not only St. Louis, the State of Missouri, but the United States, We admire and love you for the energy you display in the interest of St. Louis. No other man could have been selected to have done what you have done as the head of this great Exposition."

Mr. Schweickardt then presented a scroll to Mr. Francis conferring upon him an honorary membership in the United Singing Societies. The scroll was decorated with the Saengerfest emblem.

After Mr. Schweickardt finished the societies sang "Old Kentucky Home." President Francis, though suffering from a severe cold, addressed the gathering. His remarks were full of feeling and sentiment. In part, he said:

"The sweet strains of "Old Kentucky' touch the chord in the heart of every native of the grand cid State Still, while the recollection of old Kentucky is everlasting, it is not half so dear to me as the sensation aroused in my breast upon my return home to Missouri. This cordial welcome is the capsheaf of the very generous welcome extended me." PAYS TRIBUTE TO FRANCIS.

TELLS OF EMPEROR.

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President Francis then related his conference with the Emperor of Germany and how the latter assured him that Germany would be represented, second to no other country, at the Exposition.

He said that while there was yet much to do to be able to receive the world in 1905 such demonstrations as last night were inspiring to those behind the movement and would cause them to push assend with greater determination that every strain Frances and he hoped the National Sacingerfest in June would be an unbounded success, for as such it would be of great importance to the Exposition.

The societies then sang "America," and at the request of Mrs. Francis same "Die Wacht am Rhein." The song was cheered. Singing societies from believille and East 2. Levis assinged.

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After the statute President Provident the parade as it passed north on Newstead avenue. Ri-hard Stempf assisted Professor Lange in the direction of the chorus. The grand marshal was Ernst Helfensteller.

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HUSBAND GUILTY OF A FELONY. Alice Broyers Gets Divorce and Maiden Name Is Restored.

Alice Broyers obtained a divorce in Divis Alice Broyers obtained a divorce in Division No. 1 of the Circuit Court yesterday from Arthur A. Broyers, and her maiden name, Byrd, was restored.

She charged that her husband was convicted and sent to the Penitentiary on a charge of attempting robbery. They were married September 19, 1901, and lived together until October 29 following. He was convicted January 13, 1902.

Broyers boarded with her parents before the marriage. The marriage, it was stated, was the result of some one suggesting at an evening gathering that they get married.

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LONDON WRITER ON THE WORLD'S FAIR.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 24.—A special corre-spondent in London, writing to the Evening Star, says;
"The King is undoubtedly in favor of a The King is undoubtedly in layor of a large representative exhibit, but for some ulterfor reason the Government is slow to grasp the idea and may make no better show than at Paris.

The part which Great Britain has played

in the history of the largest exhibitions held abroad is a most honorable one. If we go back to the year 1855, when the first Paris exhibition was held, we find the Government of that time fully alive to their responsibilities. They took the initiative in formng a commission and a greater floor space was secured than that given to any other foreign nation. British exhibits were the most numerous and the display in the art section was particularly praisworthy. And the Board of Trade even arranged excursions for workingmen to visit Paris to get

"Twelve years later also the Government did what manufacturers expected of them, for they made a grant of ill5.00 to be spent on the British section. Consequently British exhibits were again the most numerous and, on the whole, were representative, but it cannot be said that so far as quality went they compared very favorably with those they compared very favorably with those of Germany, France and Belgium. The exhibition was a remarkably fine one, and it served the good purpose of showing clearly the urgent need of an improvement in technical education in this country.

"At the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876, Great Britain once more took the leading place among the foreign nations. This was quite in keeping with American wishes, for the Commissioners allotted 260,000 square feet of floor space to Great Britain and her colonies, against 100.

Breat Britain and her colonies, against 100, 909 square feet to France and her de-pendencies, and 69,000 square feet to Ger-many. British muchinery, in particular, made a splendid showing and, indeed, all things considered, Great Britain never made such a fine display, relatively speak-ing, as in Philadelphia. "The Government refused to officially rec-

ognize the Amsterdam exhibition of ISS3 and the Paris show of ISS3, though many Briffsh exhibited at both. "If the British Government had an excuse for not recognizing the Paris exhibition of 1889, they had not for not making a larger

grant than 19,000 toward the cost of making a larger grant than 19,000 toward the cost of making a satisfactory national display at the Chicago World's Fair of 1893.

"The sum of 160,000 was inadequate and compared badly with 1145,000 votes by France, 1130,000 by Germany 125,000 by high the flowerment of New South Wales contributed, Still the show works by Section 19,000 which the flowerment of New South Wales contributed, Still the show works by Section 19,000 which the flowerment of New South Wales contributed, Still the show works by Section 19,000 which the flowerment of New South Wales contributed. the layerment of New South Wates con-tributed. Still the show made by the Brit-ish exhibitors turned out to be better than at one time seemed probable. Of the total floor space of 200000 square feet, the Brit-ish exhibits covered 315,000, the number of British firms that were represented being 200

of he mid sheet firest Britain's participation in the Paris exhibition of 190, for the circumstances are still within the public re-election. The British commission was presided over by King Edward (then Prince of Wales), but manufacturers were somewhat apathetic, the war in South Africa engrossed public attention and the venomously hostile attention of the French press against this country kept visitors and exhibitors from country kept visitors and exhibitors from Paris. The British display was, consequently, comparatively small, but it was good. Still, however, it was put quite in the shade by these made by the United States and Germany. The whole British Empire contributed only about 1,500 exhibitors.

"There does not seem to be much doubt that our indifferent display in Paris had the effect of prejudicing the foreign mind into the idea that the days of British in-dustrial enterprise had gone by which is an additional reason why England should make a good show at St. Louis."

The lecture on the proposed improvements at Washington, D. C., will be given by J. Lawrence Mauran at the Y. M. C. A. Hall to-ingut at 8 o'clock. It has proven one of the most entertaining bectures of the season, and it is by special request that Mr. Mauran repeats this fecture, under the auspices of the Santary Committee of the Civic Improvement League.

Will Give a Minstrel Show The minstrel show, which was to be given by the Maplewood Improvement Association next Monday eventing, March Ji, 24 Benton Hall, will take place on that date at Muth's Hail, Sarah street and Chouteau avenue, Benton Hall hav-ing bern destroyed by fire.

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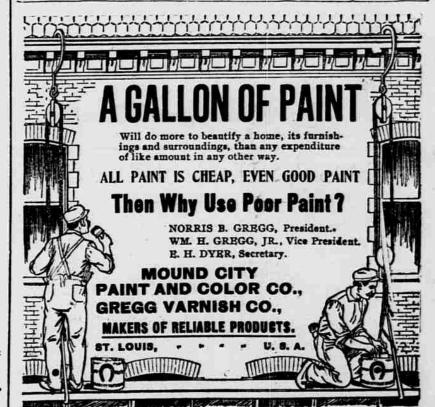
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WILL SHOW EIGHTEEN TIMES. Wild West Aggregation to Open April 18 at Handlan's Park.

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The first important amusement event of the season will be the Luella Forepaugh-Flah Wild West show, which will open at Handlan's Park, Grand and Laclede avenues, Saturday, April 18, and continue for nine days. Two performances will be given daily during the stay in the city.

The Wild West show includes cowboys, Mexicans, Indians, Cossacks from Russia, Gauches from South America, Arabs from the great desert, and cavalry of the United States, Germany, France and England. In addition there is a battery of artillery, with cannon, carriages and other paraphernalia, and four bands, including the celebrated cowboy band.

The young women of the plains, in their remarkable riding and shooting, are a great novelty, and win much applause wherever they are seen. The military band and tournament brings into play the cavalry of many nations, including our own boys in blue, the English, French, German and Mexican cavalry, as well as Indians and cowboys, enabling the spectator to compare them and judge of their respective abilities as horsemen and Eleaning.

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SWITCHMAN HURT IN WRECK

William Gresson, Injured by Derailing of Cattle Train.

A cattle train was derailed yesterday morning while being switched in the Brooklyn yards. William Gresson, a switchman, was thrown from a car, being badly bruised about the head and shoulders.

It was dark when the accident occurred. The train, consisting of seven cars, left the rails as it was crossing a switch. Several head of cattle were killed. The wreckage was cleared gway, causing but little delay to traile.

WARRANT IS REFUSED GARCIA. Cuban General's Nephew Would Prosecute Hodgson.

Pritx Chao Garcia, who claims to be a nephew of General Garcia, the Cuban lead-er, applied for a warrant yesterday morn-ing against Joseph Hodgson, Jr., traveling export agent of the Mobile and Ohio Rail-road, with offices at No. 129 North Seventh street. Garcia charged that Hodgson as-saulted him. Garcia is general agent in Cuba of the saulted him.

Garcia is general agent in Cuba of the Mobile and Ohlo. His headquarters are at Havana. He came to St. Louis a few days agen on business. According to statements made to affects a Company of the Company

Dalton yesterday morning, the trouble was caused by Garcia's demand for 14 which he claimed was due him on some transaction. Hedgeon, it is said, informed Garcia that the account had been settied. Garcia became excited and gesticulated wildly. Unimentionally, he says, his finger tips struck Mr. Hedgeon's nose. Mr. Hedgeon, an American, is said to have taken this for an attempt to tweak his nose. His right fist shot outward immediately. It landed on the Cuban's jaw and Garcia's head went back. Hedgeon was about to follow up his advantage when the spectators stopped the proceedings. advantage when the spectntors stopped the proceedings.

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dalton, after hearing the statements of both Garcia and Hodgson, informed them that he did not believe the infraction of the law serious enough for him to issue a warrant and advised Garcia to take his case to the Police Court.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph Mo., March 24.—Seven men were badly injured by the explosion of seven sticks of dynamite in the quarry of Farmer & Dunn this afternoon. The engine-room was demolished and the plant is a total wreck. Carelessness in thawing the explosive by a stove caused the accident. The injured: John Humphrey, Joe Smith, Thomas Smith, T. Riley Hamm, Lee Hamm, Nick Hamm, Abner Hart. Humphrey will probably die.

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